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Landscaper Workshops Scheduled in Truckee: 'Get Ahead or Get Parched: 6 Ways To Survive the Drought'

SACRAMENTO – A workshop for professional landscapers has been scheduled in Truckee, CA to help them efficiently manage water during the ongoing drought. Landscape watering is a prime conservation opportunity, since improperly managed outdoor watering can be exceptionally wasteful.

The Truckee workshop (in English only) will be from 8 a.m. to noon on **Friday, September 5** at the Truckee Donner Public Utility District (PUD) building, 11570 Donner Pass Road in Truckee.

The workshop will be the eleventh in a series sponsored by Department of Water Resources and the California Center for Urban Horticulture (CCUH) at the University of California, Davis to educate professional landscapers on reducing water use through improved system efficiency. The workshops are titled "Get Ahead or Get Parched: Six Ways to Survive the Drought."

The session will include a presentation on Truckee Donner PUD's water rebate programs, along with details on irrigation management for mature trees. Also covered will be information on understanding precipitation rates to reduce runoff, improving sprinkler distribution uniformity to reduce water use, improving controller programs during voluntary or mandatory water restrictions, determining application rates and precipitation rates of drip/micro irrigation, understanding soils to reduce runoff or deep percolation and understanding water meters to improve irrigation efficiency.

Registration links are at <http://ccuh.ucdavis.edu>. Call 530-752-6642 for information. The \$20 registration fee includes an attendance certificate that can be used to obtain Continuing Education Units. Landscape professionals with an ongoing working relationship with the Truckee Donner PUD are eligible to have their fee paid by the PUD. For more information, contact Trisha Ruby, Program Administrator, Truckee Donner PUD, trisharuby@tdpud.org.

Similar workshops for landscape professionals have been held in Roseville, Santa Rosa, San Luis Obispo, Walnut Creek, Fresno, Riverside, San Diego, La Jolla, Arcadia and Irvine.

Note to Media: CCUH Executive Director Dave Fujino will be available for on-site interviews at the workshop; his mobile number is 530-902-6818.

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